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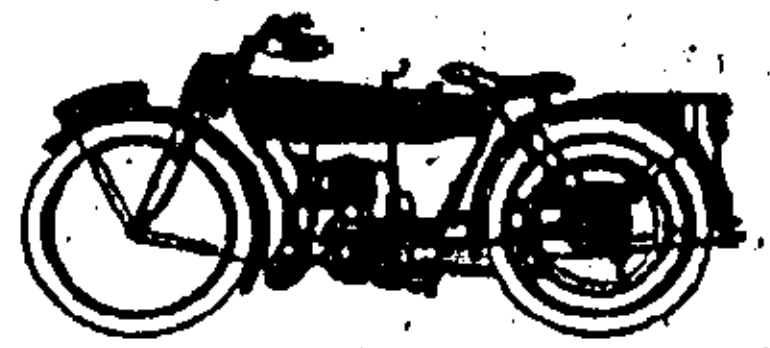
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SHANGHAI FEARS.

TROOPS MAY LOOT.

FOREIGN MARINES LAND.

Shanghai, Jan. 15.
The defeated and interned troops numbering some 10,000, are causing apprehension, as they are suffering considerable discomfort in the internment camps, in spite of efforts to provide food to the hutments.

Three days of incessant rain have added to their discomforts. The men are grumbling and restive. Hence there is some danger that they may break out and start looting.

H. M. S. Carlisle and American and Japanese cruisers each landed 100 Marines this morning and also 90 Italians and 20 more French were landed to assist the police in coping with the menace.

—Daily Bulletin.

SHOTS IN A CAMP.

Shanghai, Jan. 16.
A meeting of the Chinese General Chamber of Commerce and various guilds this afternoon decided to finance the transportation of interned soldiers to Tientsin, the soldiers to be given a few dollars each when landing at their destination.

It is proposed to charter a large ship and send them off in two or three days.

An American marine standing on guard at the internment camp noticed several Chinese soldiers trying to escape. He fired a few shots, killing one man and wounding two. —Reuter.

CANTON OUTLOOK.

WHY GENERAL CHAN HALTED.

A few days ago we stated that General Chan King-ming had moved his troops in the East River so that he is now only an 18 hours' march away from Canton.

We are now able, from Chinese sources that we consider well-informed and reliable, to disclose why the General called a halt recently. His troops, who have not been paid for several months, are more or less badly in need of money. When the march towards Canton commenced, the men put their heads together and held a conference as a result of which they sent their spokesman to the General and said in effect: "We are quite willing to fight for you, but you should pay us first, as we need some funds. However, we know that your finances are in none too good a state. Therefore, if you will allow us to loot the houses of the friends of our enemies for ten days after we have captured the city, we will call it a deal, and put up a fight."

Chan, who has the reputation of being an honest man, would not agree to this, and called a halt at once. In order to procure wages for his men, he sent his manager of finances to Hongkong, to approach a well-known Chinese banker here for a large loan. The local banker, it is said, did not consider Chan's security good enough, and refused to lend him the money. Others of Chan's friends were also consulted, but with the same result.

The crux of the situation seems to be that most of the business men of Kwang tung are now so tired and disgusted with the eternal civil war that they hardly care who eventually takes charge at Canton. And Chan has not had the same opportunities of replenishing his war chest as Dr. Sun Yat sen.

AFTER 23 YEARS.

MR. R. E. O. BIRD PETIRING.

Hongkong is shortly to lose one of its most popular Headmasters and best sportsmen, in the person of Mr. R. E. O. Bird, who to-day presented his last annual report on the Ellis Kadoorie School, of which he has had charge for the past ten years. He is in the near future to retire from the Government service, and, with his wife, to settle down in the Old Country.

Mr. Bird, has been in the educational service of the Colony for 23 years, having arrived here in 1902. He came to the Colony as a junior assistant master and four years later became a senior assistant master. In 1914, he was for a time acting Director of the Technical Institute, whilst on January 1st, 1915, he was appointed to the post of Headmaster of the Ellis Kadoorie School, where he has since remained. In addition to this position, he has acted as Inspector of English Schools and as Director of Education, whilst in the latter part of 1920 he was temporarily in charge of Queen's College. His coming severance with the educational life of the Colony is much regretted, and the tribute paid him at to-day's prize-giving ceremony by Sir Claude Severn reflects the feelings of his many friends.

Prior to coming to Hongkong, Mr. Bird was Headmaster of the Armenian College in Calcutta (1892) and assistant master of King's College, Bangkok (1901). He is an M. A. of Oxford (All Souls College), where he took honours in classics, and since his service in Hongkong he has qualified in Cantonese.

During his stay in the Colony, Mr. Bird has been one of Hongkong's most prominent cricketers, being an inter-club bowler of much skill. He first appeared in inter-club contests in 1903 and was last seen in that capacity in 1920. As a member of the Civil Service Cricket Club, he has rendered that body yeoman service, to say nothing of his prowess with the ball against both Shanghai and the Straits.

Mr. Bird was married last summer to Miss Constance Clarke, the Headmistress of the Belkiss Public School, who for over ten years had been in the Government service. Like her husband, Mrs. Bird is very popular locally, and the many friends of both will wish them long years of happy retirement at home.

BLASTING DANGERS.

COMPLAINTS FROM MOTORISTS.

Before Mr. E. W. Hamilton, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, two stonecutters were fined \$50 each for carrying on blasting operations during prohibited hours and failing to give sufficient warning to passers-by, at the junction of the Tai-po and Lai-chikok Roads on Wednesday.

It was stated that the prosecution was taken out in consequence of complaints being received from motorists. Only six weeks ago the wife of Mr. Kynock of the Waterworks, had a narrow escape in her vicinity.

WATERFRONT ITEMS.

Although the monsoon has abated somewhat outside, incoming vessels are complaining about low visibility, which in some cases has delayed them considerably.

The two Saigon traders the Derwent, Captain R. Bonstead, and the Wong Shok Kung, Captain R. M. de la Sala, both sailed yesterday for that port. The steamer Flint, Captain Bjaaaland, which for quite some time has been laid up at Stonecutters, leaves to-morrow for Australia, and will return to England from there. She will call at Borneo on the way in order to replenish her bunkers.

THIRD TEST MATCH BEGINS TO-DAY.

Photograph of the English Team.



The third Test Match between the M. C. C. and Australia opens to-day at Adelaide, and the English players will no doubt strain every nerve to register a turn of luck in their favour. Above is a photograph of the full M. C. C. side, recently taken in Australia, the names of the players being:—

Back Row (left to right)—J. L. Bryan, R. Tyldesley, M. W. Tate, F. C. Toone (manager), W. W. Whysall, A. P. F. Chapman, A. Sandham.
Middle Row—J. W. Hearne, H. Strudwick, J. W. H. T. Douglas (vice-capt.), A. E. R. Gilligan (capt.), J. B. Hobbs, F. E. Woolley.
Front Row—R. Kilner, E. Hendren, A. P. Freeman, H. Sutcliffe, H. Howell.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(To the Editor, "Hongkong Telegraph.")

Misuse of Side-Walk.

Sir,—Excuse me for encroaching on the valuable space in your paper, but I do so in the hope of getting what, in my opinion, is a disgraceful state of affairs remedied.

My complaint is the misuse to which the footpath on Caroline Road is put—i.e., the side-walk from the Anglo-French Convent down to the Victoria British School. This road is the chief outlet for all motor traffic going in an easterly direction, and yet every day English children are compelled to walk in the roadway when going to and from their respective schools.

The misuse to which this side-walk is put are:—It is used as a storage place for shop shutters and spare motor car bodies, a drying ground for family washing from the tenements across the road, a cardboard box maker uses the path for drying his stocks, and, last, but not least, it is used as a lavatory by all the children living opposite.

I have complained to the police and have shown the state of affairs to a member of the Sanitary Department, but without result.

As this disgraceful misuse of a public side-walk has gone on for the last three years to my knowledge, I hope that those few lines in your popular paper will result in an end being put to the abuse, and that the powers-that-be will not wait until some English child is killed by a motor vehicle through being compelled to walk on the roadway.

Enclosing my card,
Yours etc,
RIDGEITE.
Hongkong, Jan. 15, 1925.

"Joan of Arc."

Sir,—There is just one sentence in your criticism of "Saint Joan" which I would like to paraphrase slightly. You say in comparing "The Devil's Disciple" and "Man and Superman" with "Saint Joan" that "The Devil's Disciple" and "Man and Superman" must now make place for "Saint Joan." I doubt it, but I quite agree that both devil's disciple and man and

CHINESE AFFAIRS.

FENG GOES TO KALGAN.

Peking, Jan. 15.
Tuan Chi-jui recently sent his confidential counsellor, General Tin Hsi-yuan, to interview Feng Yu-hsiang, after which it was rumoured that Feng Yu-hsiang had resolved to take up his post of Tapan on the North-West Frontier, but no official statement could be obtained.

Feng Yu-hsiang has now started for Kalgan, and it is reported that he intends to assume his post and establish headquarters at Pingtehchuan, near Tatingfu.

This report is creating a favourable reaction from the recent pessimism, which is based largely on the knowledge that Feng Yu-hsiang is continuing to recruit extensively, although he already controls some 60,000 men, not counting Sun Yuch's and Hu Ching-yi's forces. —Daily Bulletin.

superman now bow the knee to Joan of Arc! I further venture to suggest that you cannot fairly compare these plays. "Saint Joan" is a play apart, just as Dickens' "Tale of Two Cities" is entirely different from any other of Dickens' works; only this applies still more so to "Saint Joan" and Shaw's other plays. "Man and Superman" still remains Shaw's masterpiece. That, of course, does not alter the fact that "Saint Joan" is also a masterpiece. Probably Shaw would be prepared to admit that all his works are masterpieces, and I don't think he would be altogether wrong for once in a way. All the same, in spite of his specious defence in "Saint Joan" of that priestly gang of inquisitors, I'm glad he makes no attempt to defend the English political—of course Shaw wouldn't! I can only say that on seeing Joan go out to her fate I personally would have sent the whole lot of her sanctimonious crew of judges to the hell which their imagination has created, or at least to the fires that consumed Joan. I'm sure that is the feeling of all who have been privileged to see the play. Whilst on the matter of hell, by the way, I think you might have been less stinted in your praise of the excellent impersonation of the "tick-of-leave" soldier by Mr. Hood.

Yours, etc,
A. HANSON.
Hongkong, Jan. 16th, 1925.

THE LAW'S DELAYS.

JUDGE'S ADVICE TO SOLICITORS.

Taking advantage of the presence in Court of a number of solicitors, this morning, the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) made some advisory comment on the manner in which the hearing of Summary Court cases might be expedited.

His Lordship said that he had had a good many cases lately in which a special defence had been raised for the first time at the trial. Such a procedure was not contemplated by the Ordinance and at least 24 hours' notice should be given of a special defence in order that the plaintiff should know of it. A good deal of trouble sometimes arose and also some delay, and he thought it would be his duty in future to enforce the provision. The Court had power to give leave for a special defence to be raised without notice, but it would be his duty to give it only for special reasons. He would also like to say that plaintiffs, through their solicitors and those of the other side, did not always try to find out what the defence was, and it often happened that there was a defence to which there was no answer. He would like to lay stress on the fact that they were busy at the present time—the Summary Court was sitting practically every day—and if solicitors would help they could save a lot of time to the profession to himself and to their clients. He hoped that members of the profession would do something such as he had suggested in order to save time, because they didn't want to be delayed by cases which would not proceed further if the particulars of the defence were known by the other side. It didn't matter so very much in the old days when there was less business, but it mattered rather more just now.

HOME SOCCER.

F.A. CUP REPLAYS.

London, Jan. 15.
Two of the F.A. Cup replays resulted as follows:—Hull beat Wolverhampton by one to nil, after extra time.
Barnsley beat Millwall by two goals to one. —Reuter.

WHITEAWAY THEFTS.

CHINESE SENT TO GAOL.

A Chinese employee of Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Company was charged before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the Central Magistracy this morning, with the theft of one raincoat, one cardigan, a belt, a safety razor and a pipe. Most of these articles were identified as the property of the Company by Mr. O. A. Smith the Manager, and Mr. J. V. Panizzi, his assistant.

The case arose out of a raid of the defendant's house made by Detective Sergeant Chester-Woods. The police raided the house in connection with the recent big burglary, which involved Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw and Co. in the loss of several thousand dollars worth of goods. Instead of finding anything relating to the burglary, the police found the articles mentioned in the charge.

The defendant's explanation was that, excepting the cardigan which he bought at Sincere's, the other articles were bought from his own firm. His story about the cardigan was, however, contradicted by a representative of Sincere and Co., who said his firm had not sold cardigans of that make for three years.

The Magistrate sentenced defendant to three weeks' hard labour.

RIFT IN MOTOR TRADE.

REMARKABLE ULTIMATUM DELIVERED.

London, Jan. 15.
The representatives of several Canadian motor manufacturers cabled to the Canadian Government yesterday evening with reference to the ban on exhibition at the British Empire Exhibition imposed by the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, who announced yesterday that members exhibiting at Wembley would be forbidden to exhibit at the annual show at Olympia.

The Canadian Government in reply has cabled to the Canadian Exhibition Commissioner instructing him officially to protest against this interference with would-be exhibitors by a trade organisation, adding that if a satisfactory solution be not found, Canada as a last resort will withdraw from participation at Wembley. —Reuter.

THE ITALIAN OPPOSITION.

DISPLAYING A BOLD FRONT.

Rome, Jan. 15.
The Opposition, headed by Signora Giolitti, Orlando and Salandra, has presented a strong-winded resolution in the Chamber declaring that, in view of the Government's encroachments on the liberty of the subject, the discussion of the Electoral Bill is injurious.

Though it is regarded as a foregone conclusion that this resolution, which is bound to lead to a motion of confidence, will be defeated, it is believed the Opposition is hopeful that a bold display by the leading personalities of the old regime will have the moral of the country in their favour. —Reuter.

GERMAN CABINET.

OF VARIED COMPLEXION.

Berlin, Jan. 15.
The list of Herr Luther's Cabinet confirms the forecast as regards the complexion.

In addition to Herr von Stresemann and Neuhaus it includes, as Minister of the Interior, Herr Schiele, the leader of the German National Party, as Minister of Posts and Telegraphs Herr Stieglitz, of the Bavarian People's Party, as Minister of Defence Herr Gumbel, and as Labour Minister Herr Braun. —Reuter.

WEST RIVER NEWS.

ANOTHER BOAT AGROUND.

The Hongkong-Kongmoon str. San Nam Hoi, Captain R. Sparks, grounded on Wednesday night at 11.40 p.m. on the Wang Moon Bar, the entrance to the West River. She had not got off the ground as late as midnight last night, when she was observed to be still ashore, with a tug standing by her. In this intricate channel it is very often hard to avoid groundings, and it is probably only a question of time when the deepest part of it will have to be buoyed to mark it properly for all the shipping that has to pass there.

It has now been raining steadily for a few days on the West River, and consequently the water on the Second Bar near Wuchow has risen a few inches. There is now about eight feet of water on it. On account of the drought, the ground is so dry, however, that it will take some time before the rain has any real effect.

At Sam Shui the channel has straightened up, and is not so crooked as formerly. There is now 10 to 11 feet of water on the bar, depending upon the state of the tide. Because the water is now so low in the Lower West River, the effect of the tide is plainly felt all the way from Wang Moon to Sam Shui and even further.

INTER-ALLIED DEBTS.

BRITAIN DISCUSSES WITH FRANCE.

London, Jan. 15.
The correspondence which M. Clementel and Mr. Churchill exchanged in Paris is published to-night.

It shows that the former took the initiative in requesting Mr. Churchill to define the British ideas on inter-allied debts, as a subject on which France was desirous of reaching a settlement. Mr. Churchill, replying, promised to probe the matter with the Cabinet in London, and send an answer enabling France to present definite proposals, meanwhile repeating that the Balfour Note remains the dominating guide to principle.

At the conclusion of to-day's Cabinet meeting, which dealt specifically with this matter, it was reliably reported that a further discussion of details was necessary before any Note to France could be expected, and a definite pronouncement was unlikely for several weeks.

It may be useful to recall that the Balfour Note broadly laid down the principle that Britain did not require more from her Allies and Germany together than was necessary to liquidate the British debt to America. —Reuter.

THE SHIPPING DISORDER.

AUSTRALIA'S SERIOUS PROBLEM.

Melbourne, Jan. 15.
The stevedores of Port Phillip have decided to unload the s.s. Clan Munro.

The thirty-four of the crew of the s.s. Mooraki, charged with wilful disobedience, have each been sentenced to a fortnight's imprisonment.

The Commonwealth Government has taken over the steamer Nairana to maintain communication with Tasmania, and is advertising for a crew. —Reuter.

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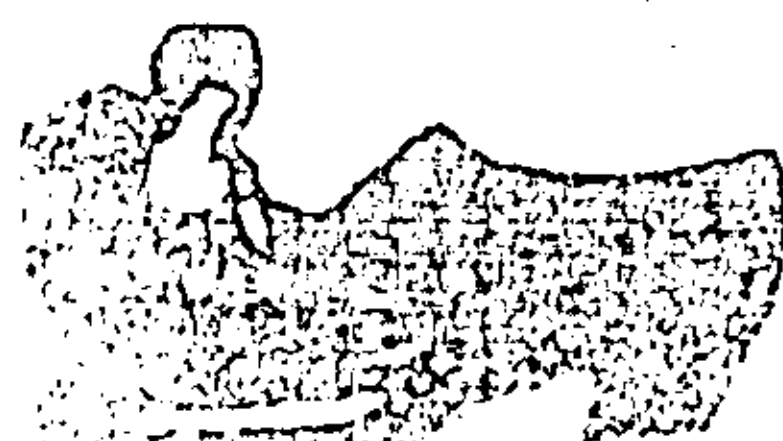
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CHINESE AFFAIRS.**THE SHANGHAI
SITUATION.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, January 15.
The Consular authorities, in
co-operation with the Chinese com-
mercial bodies—which will provide
the necessary funds—are planning
the removal of 10,000 soldiers
interned in several emergency
camps within the concessions and
intend to charter three steamers
sailing probably to Tientsin, since
most of the interned men are
Northerners, many belonging to
Shantung.

The danger of disease develop-
ing is an important factor, since
the interned are now suffering
from exposure to the bitter wintry
conditions, continued rains, make-
shift shelter and short rations.

Peking, Jan. 15.—Feng Yu-
hsiang has now started for Kaigun,
and it is reported that he intends
to assume the post, thus creating
a favourable reaction against the
recent pessimism.—*Reuter.*

Removal of Shanghai Arsenal.

Peking, January 15.
The Cabinet this morning
resolved to issue four manda-
tes: firstly, abolishing the
military commissionership at
Shanghai; secondly, saying that
the Government had received re-
quests from the Shanghai Chinese
Chamber of Commerce for the re-
moval of the Shanghai arsenal,
which is a constant source of trou-
ble to the Government and it there-
fore instructs the Shanghai Cham-
ber to supervise the suspension of
work at the arsenal and to arrange
definite arrangements for the re-
moval of the arsenal; thirdly,
thenceforth no troops will be
stationed at Shanghai and no mili-
tary organisation permitted there;
fourthly, Sun Yueh is appointed
Chief Bandit Suppressor at Kanan,
Shensi and Honan, with Kan Yu-
kun as chief assistant.

The mandates, of which the
above is a brief outline, will prob-
ably be issued to-night.—*Reuter.*

DOUBLE SUICIDE PACT.**SINGAPORE MAN
SENTENCED.**

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Singapore, January 15.
Mr. U. G. Richards, a draughts-
man in the employ of the Singapore
Municipality, who figured in the
recent suicide pact case, was tried
at the Assizes this morning on
two counts of attempted suicide
and abetment at suicide. Richards
and his wife, who was a European
lady, were found in bed suffering
from the effects of poison. The
wife died.

Richards, who is a Eurasian,
pleaded guilty to both charges, and
was sentenced to three and six
months' imprisonment respective-
ly.

FOOTBALL.**KOWLOON RESERVES
TEAM.**

The following have been selected
to play for the Kowloon Reserves:
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C. Caveille, S. Randle; C. Morris,
A. E. Latham, C. Alford, A.
Fitzgerald, A. Spary, Reserves, A.
Trambitzky, W. H. Parrott.

OBITUARY.**FAMOUS ARTIST.**

London, Jan. 15.
The death is announced of the
artist, Harry Ruraist.—*Reuter.*

**THE DISTILLERY
CASE.****MAXIMUM FINES
IMPOSED.**

Before Mr. N. L. Smith, at the
Central Magistracy yesterday
afternoon, the hearing was con-
cluded of the case in which the
licensee of the Fook Cheong wine
distillery, of Aberdeen, and a man
named Wong Ki were charged
with the illegal removal of 10 jars
of wine and doing business after
6 p.m., contrary to regulations.
Wong Ki was in charge of the dis-
tillery when the offences were
committed.

Mr. White Smith, Assistant
Crown Solicitor, conducted the
prosecution, and Mr. M. K. Lo de-
fended.

The defence having closed, Mr.
Lo addressed the Bench. He
said it was not so much for the
fines, if His Worship decided to
convict, as for their reputation that
the defendants cared, though, of
course, the fines might jeopardise
their capital. As regards the
charge of doing business after the
regulation hour, he would not
comment much on it as long as
His Worship found that the load-
ing of the wine into the junk was
to enable the boat to sail next
morning. As to the other charge,
he submitted that the Crown had
not proved it. No criminal case
could be sustained by the evidence,
which did not specify the exact
number of jars. The case for the
prosecution was absolutely based
upon calculations and the number
mentioned was purely the work of
mathematics. His Worship, he
submitted, could not accept that
as effective evidence. Mr. Lo
then proceeded to deal with what
he considered the weak points of
the evidence.

The Assistant Crown Solicitor
replied, stating that of the two
stories, that of the Revenue Offi-
cers should carry more weight. It
was part of their duty to take
careful notes of what happened,
while Wong Ki had no earthly
reason to remember everything as
well, especially in view of the fact
that he was rather busy in more
important details during the cross-
examination. The defence was
that the case was the result of
a conspiracy among Revenue Offi-
cers to secure a wrongful con-
viction, but no motive had been
suggested.

The Magistrate said the time in
connection with the first charge
had been clearly proved. He also
found the second charge proved.
But for the approach of the New
Year he would send the defendant
(Wong Ki) to prison. As it was,
he imposed the maximum fine of
\$500 on each summons. The
licensee was discharged.

Mr. Lo gave notice of appeal
and asked the Magistrate to state
a case and suspend the execution
of judgment.

The Magistrate advised him to
send in a written application.

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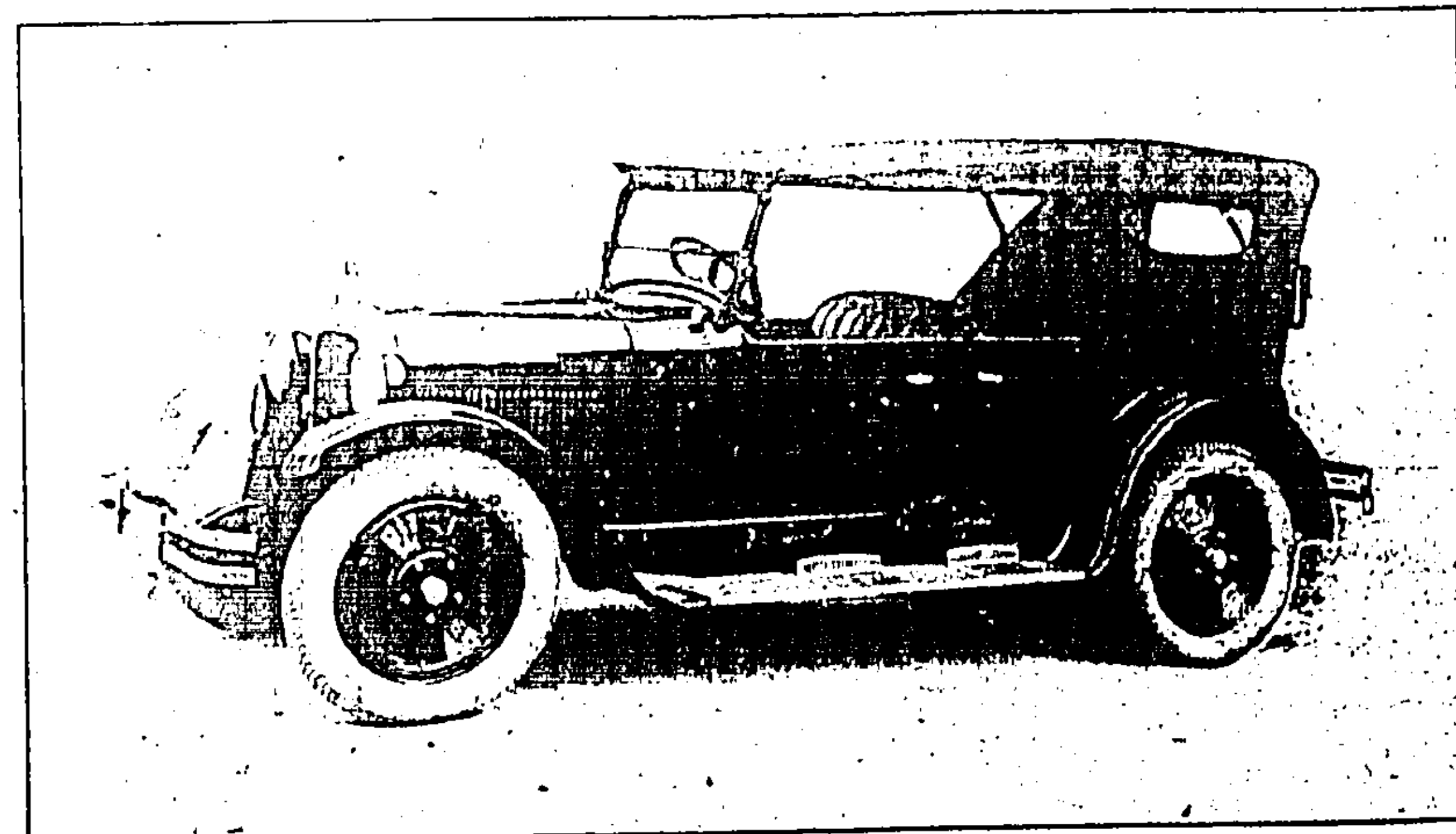
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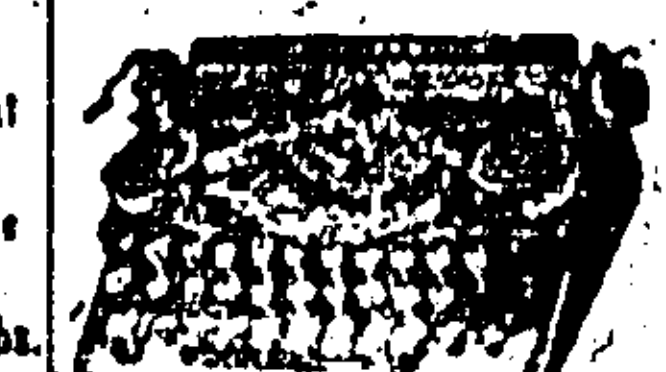
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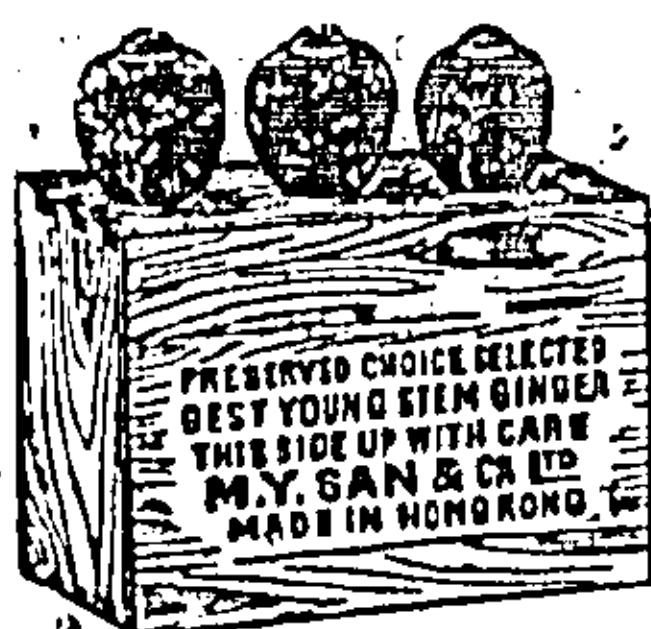
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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

RETURN TO GOLD STANDARD.

London, January 15.

An outline of the arrangement between Mr. Montagu Norman, who has departed for England, and Mr. Benjamin Strong, Governor of the Federal Reserve Bank in New York for the British return to the gold standard, was given to the *Morning Post's* Washington correspondent. The American authorities were impressed with the British financial policy and think that when the pound reaches parity it will remain there, and it will then be safe for London again to be the free gold market. In order to guard against re-suspension of the gold standard, the Reserve Bank has offered, in case the unlikely occasion arises, to place American gold, up to an agreed amount, at the disposal of the Bank of England in the form of gold credits or actual shipments from New York to London. Inflation will be guarded against. American and English discount rates will be maintained at about parity. It is anticipated that when England returns to the gold standard Switzerland and Sweden, among other Continental countries, will officially do so.—*Reuter*.

AUSTRALIAN SHIPPING TROUBLE.

Melbourne, January 15.

Thirty-four of the crew of the steamer *Moeraki*, who refused to sail because some firemen were absent were arrested and charged with having wilfully disobeyed the lawful commands of the Master. The Federal Government has decided to charter vessels to maintain the essential services so as to relieve the distress. Hundreds of Tasmanians are offering to man the vessels in the event of the seamen refusing.—*Reuter*.

Perth (W.A.), January 15.

A sugar famine exists as a result of the shipping trouble. Other foodstuffs are scarce.—*Reuter*.

WEALTH OF THE U.S.A. IN 1922.

Washington, January 15.

The Census Bureau estimates that the wealth of the United States on December 31, 1922, was \$320,803,862,000, which represented an increase of 72.2 per cent. compared with 1912. The estimate is based upon the best data available, of all the properties which the Bureau classifies, including, real estate, railroads, machinery, telephones, telegraph, public utilities, personal property, etc.—*Reuter's American Service*.

CHINA AND THE OPIUM TRAFFIC.

London, January 15.

Professor Soothill, supporting Sir John Jordan's letter to the *Times*, says there is nothing whatever visionary in believing that when China again has settled down, the Government will be successful if an attack on opium is made. If Sir John Jordan's 1907 *pari passu* policy was now adopted, it might again prove equally and happily embarrassing.—*Reuter*.

DERBYSHIRE MINERS' ACTION PROVES A FROST.

London, January 15.

The result of giving strike notices by the miners of Derbyshire was disappointing from the point of view of the leaders, as no more than 40 per cent. of the men affected signed the notice.—*Reuter*.

NETHERLANDS BANK REDUCES DISCOUNT RATE.

Amsterdam, January 15.

The Netherlands Bank has reduced the rate of discount by one-half per cent.—*Reuter*.

ARMS TRAFFIC.

BOATWOMAN COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

The Kowloon Magistracy appeared to have been transformed into an arsenal yesterday afternoon, when various types of arms and ammunition were produced as exhibits in a case in which a boatwoman was charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton with unlawful possession. There were twenty-three firearms, including 13 revolvers, four Lager pistols and four Mauser pistols, and no less than 9,200 rounds of different brands of ammunition.

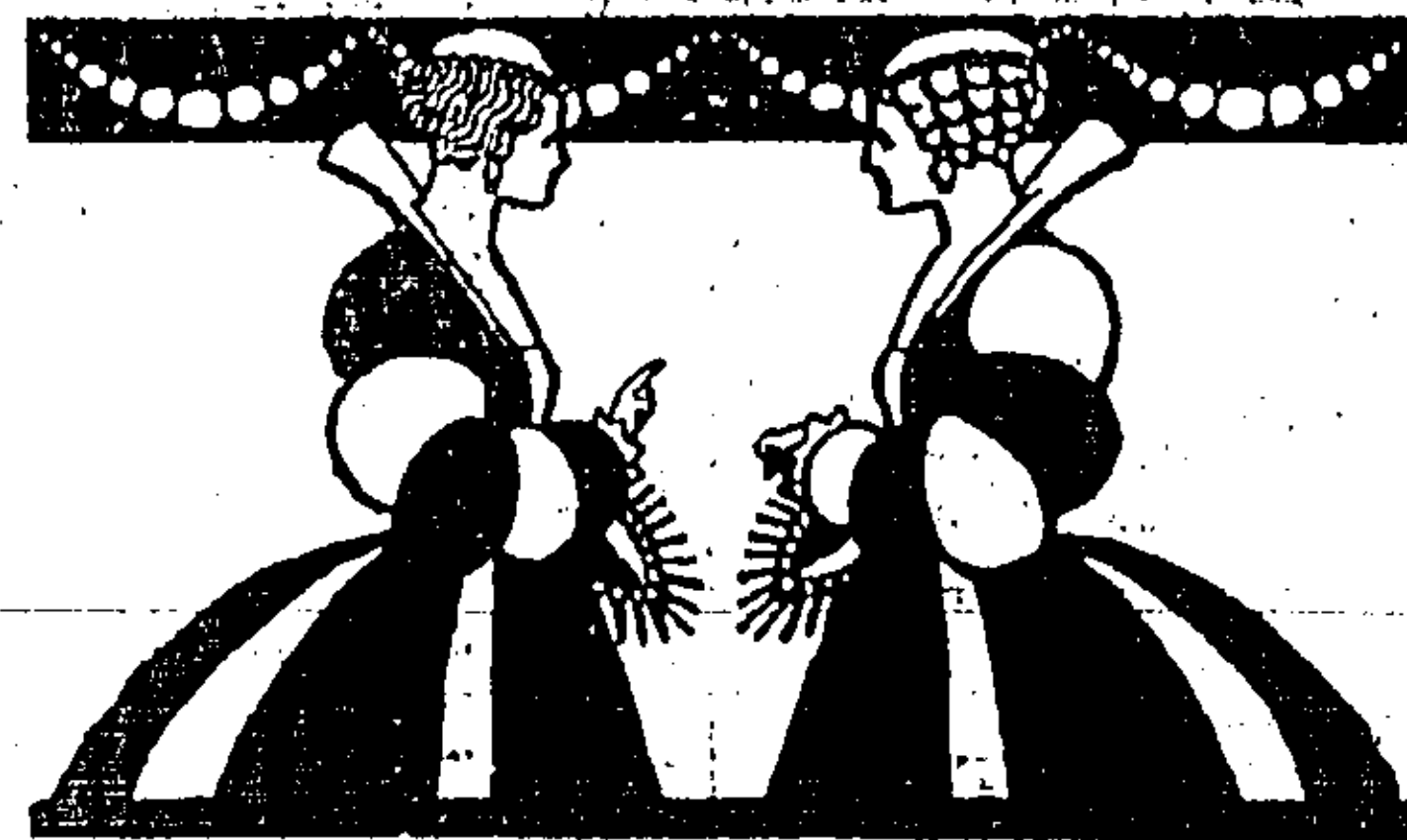
The defendant was represented by Mr. N. I. Brewer.

Sub-Inspector K. W. Andrews prosecuted and in his evidence stated that, acting on information received, he visited the defendant's sampan, which was moored in the vicinity of the old Yumati Ferry Wharf, Hongkong, on Friday last shortly after noon. He found two small boys asleep on a piece of canvas at the rear of the boat. Under the canvas were discovered four rattan baskets, which were found to contain the arms and ammunition. The following day witness arrested the defendant at No. 51 Stanley Street, Hongkong.

One of the boys arrested on the first day gave evidence to the effect that the sampan was engaged by a young man at 1 p.m. on the previous day and went to a French steamer (s.s. *Amboise*) where the four baskets were placed on board by some coolies. The boat then proceeded to the anchorage where the police found it the next day. The man who went out with the boat on Thursday, Po in, returned later that night, and when he found that one of the baskets was broken he put a grass bag under the cover, thus concealing the contents, from view. He then left. On the day of the seizure by the police the defendant had gone ashore.

After further evidence the defendant was committed for trial at the February Criminal Sessions.

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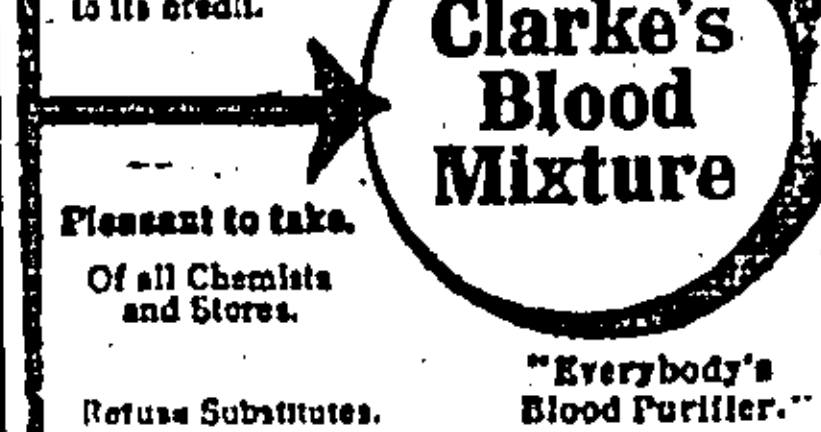
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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 13th January to 17th January, 1924, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board,
EDWARD B. RAYMOND,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1925.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

AN Extraordinary General Meeting of the Club will be held in the Jockey Club Room, Hongkong Club Annex, on Thursday January 22nd. 1925 at 5.30 p.m. for the purposes of proposing a resolution to adopt the revised Rules and Regulations and Rules of Racing as the Rules and Regulations and Rules of Racing of the Club.

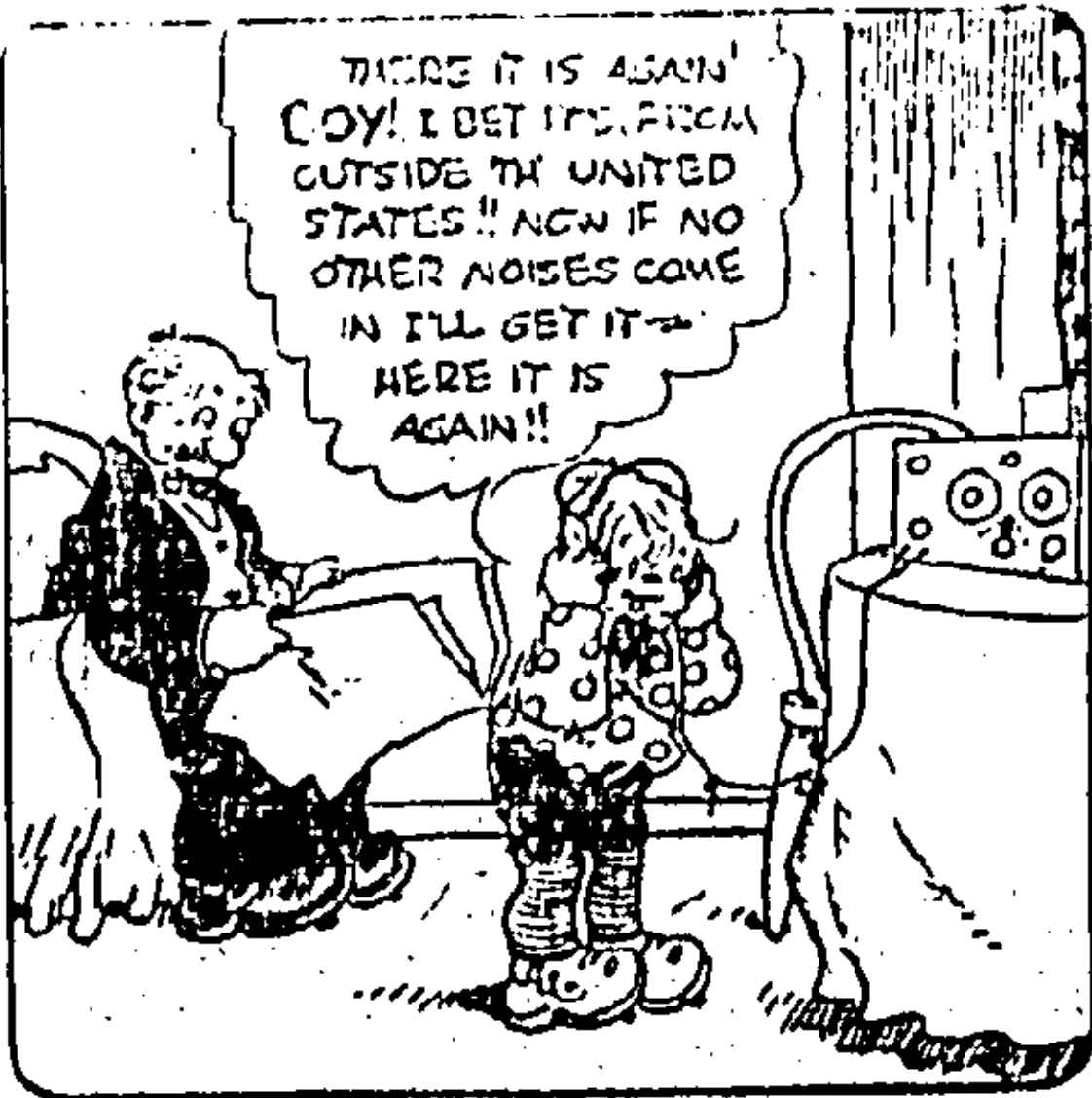
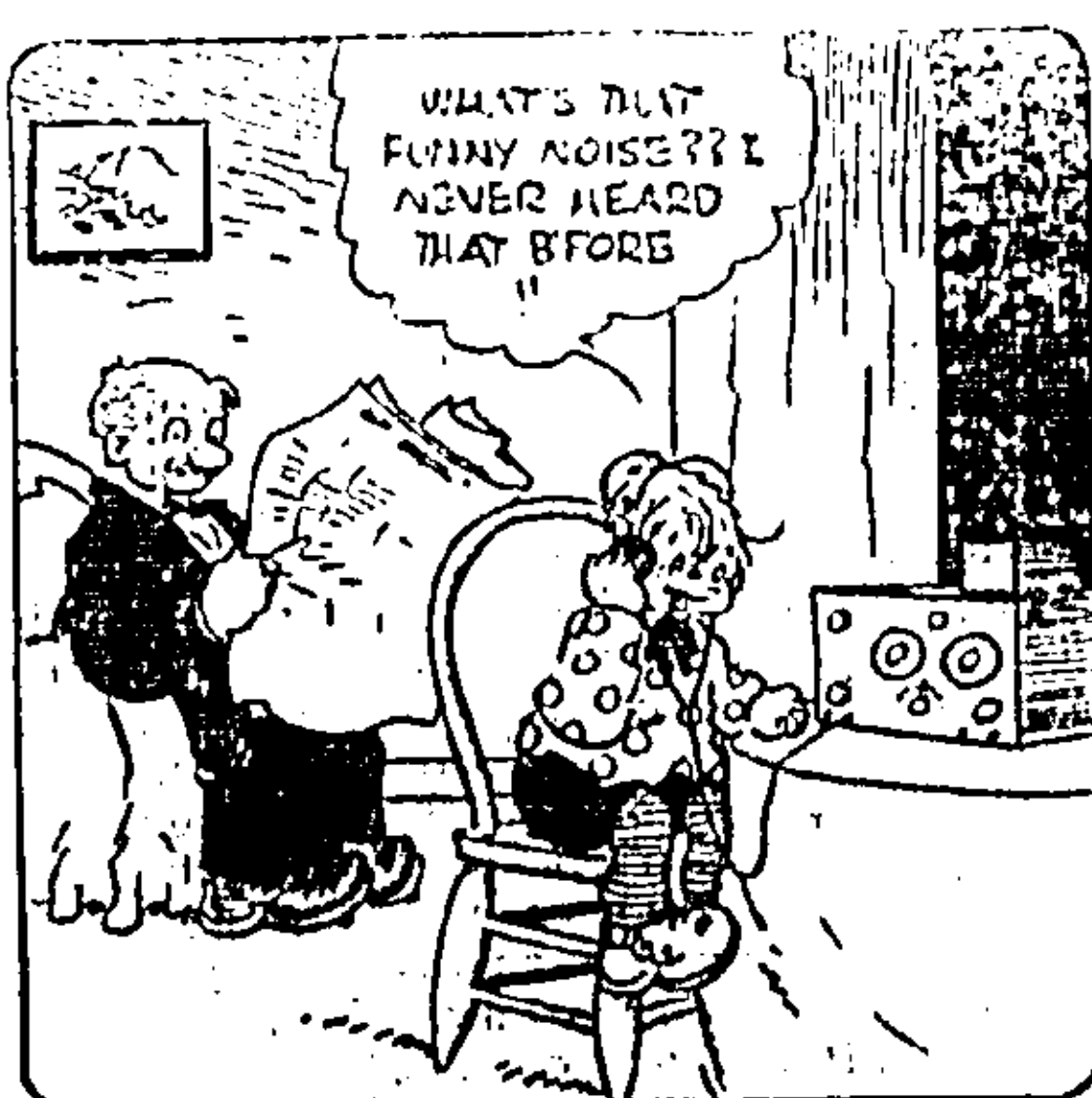
A copy of the revised Rules and Regulations and Rules of Racing may be inspected by members at the office of the Secretary upon application.

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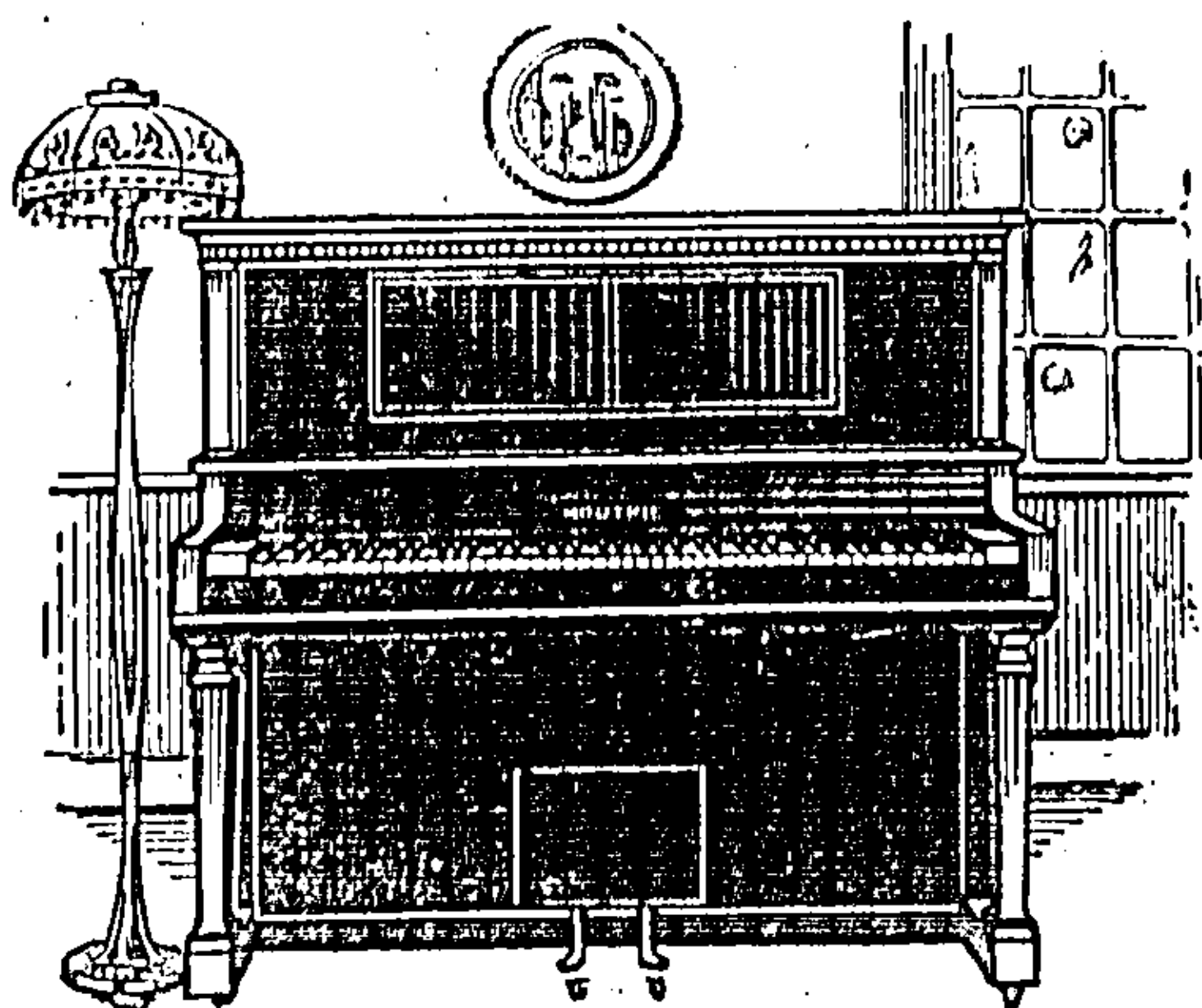
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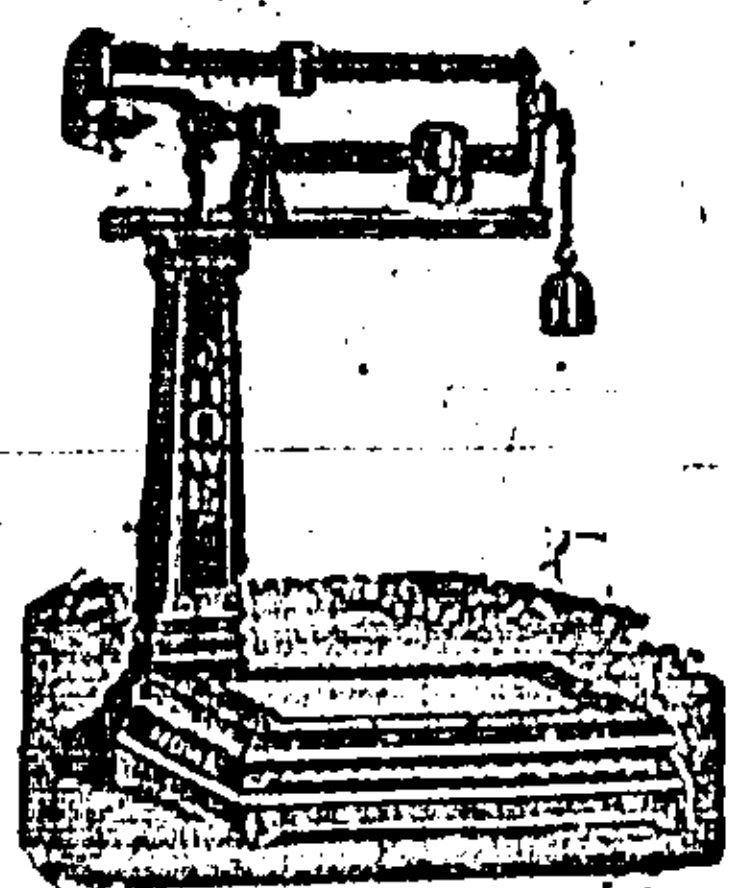
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SPORT FOR STUDENTS.

Hongkong is at the moment in the midst of its annual series of school prize distributions, at which reviews are given of the year's progress and the rewards of application handed out to the students who have won them. There is one feature about these functions which strikes a relatively new note. We refer to the considerable references, in the annual reports, to sporting activities. Those who have lived for any length of time in the Colony will recall that in times gone by very little was said in the reports of schools attended by Chinese regarding outdoor recreation. The Chinese student of those days knew practically nothing of such games as cricket, football, volleyball or tennis, whilst he was, for the most part, equally ignorant of the art of swimming. All that has been changed, and to-day we witness a wholesale indulgence in these sports, with considerable rivalry as between school and school.

Whilst we do not for one moment overlook the danger of students paying more heed to sport than to study, we must regard this larger participation in outdoor recreation, by Chinese students in particular, as a most beneficial development. Side by side with this practical interest in organised games, we have the Boy Scout movement, as well as the holding of camping expeditions and walking excursions into the country. What these things mean to young Chinese who would normally be confined in congenial and unhealthy surroundings, cannot be fully estimated at the present. The full benefits will become apparent in later years. The Chinese of Hongkong have made wonderful strides in Western sports and games since they took them up, and the result is bound to be a healthier and therefore more efficient type of man in the days to come.

Those who know anything about the health of this Colony will not need to be reminded that tuberculosis exacts a heavy yearly toll from the native population. Much of that is due to overcrowding and living in ill-lighted and insanitary dwell-

ings. The encouraging of Chinese youngsters to go more into the open air and to indulge in games and sports is, therefore, a very right and proper thing. In this wise, something is being done to wage war against an insidious disease which keeps the Colony's death-rate all too high. For that reason, and others, we welcome the growing inclination on the part of Chinese scholars to indulge in outdoor recreation. From every standpoint it is a promising sign of the times.

The Staff of Life.
Now that a Food Commission is sitting at Home we can expect something to be done to bring down the cost of living a little. A somewhat disquieting feature of recent months has been a tendency—over and above the ordinary one of the winter season—for food prices to soar slightly, but sufficiently to give promise of further accretions at a future date. As the war aftermath (and the local strike aftermath) have taught us, prices have a nasty habit of staying up once they have risen, and this often enough means a higher jumping off point for the next ascent. Two items are claiming the special attention of the Home Commission at present, wheat and tea. In the latter case there has been considerable operation of the market by speculators, and a shameless attempt to "corner" supplies has been partly exposed. Such things should not be tolerated. The revelations which the commission is likely to make will be interesting, especially if they include something about the co-operative societies. Originally founded for the purpose of cheapening products of all kinds, these societies have, it is to be feared, developed into business propositions pure and simple. But of particular concern, affecting this part of the world as well, is the position of the wheat market and the possible shortage of supplies, with its train of threatened higher costs. There is reference by one of the commission witnesses to the fact that the Eastern peoples are taking more and more to wheat bread as a staple diet. This is one of the more remarkable aspects of recent changes in the East. Originally encouraged—some few years ago—owing to a shortage of rice supplies, wheat consumption has increased among Asiatics in the Middle and Far East until the problem of world supplies has become one of concern to most of the governments of the world. It is pleasing, therefore, to find an assurance being made that anything like a serious shortage is unlikely, and that the "staff of life" is not likely to become harder to obtain for the masses who are turning to it more and more as the years go by.

Looking Ahead.

So much is reassuring for the present, but the inevitable question arises as to whether there is adequate provision for future years. The wheat supply is dependent largely on fortuitous circumstances, and the crop fluctuations might yet mean a severe shortage, especially as there is not a great deal of further land coming under the sowing. The case of Canada is one in point. In 1923, helped by a remarkable succession of fine weeks of weather, there was a "bumper" crop, which required special labour, some of it even imported across the Atlantic. Last year the yield has been comparatively disappointing. One of these seasons there will come a spell when crop failures will be recorded wherever wheat is grown—and then will come famine, and all that it means. This is not intended as a discussion of sociological problems, but the student of such subjects will realise how present tendencies should not be fostered in the slightest. But unless mankind is prepared to adopt universally the doctrines of Malthus, he seems inevitably to be heading for the day when he will have staring him in the face the stark question of how to wring further ample sustenance from an over-ridden world.

HOCKEY.

The following will represent the H.K.H.C. 1st XI on Wednesday, 21st January, at 5 p.m. sharp at the U.S.R.C. against the Tamar:—P.W.F. Mills, A.A. Dand, H. Owen-Hughes, Rev. E.W.L. Martin, E.J.R. Mitchell (Capt), L.F. Ralph, G.R. More, Lt Jones, W.J. Woodward, E.L. Sim and B.D. Evans.

ELLIS KADOORIE SCHOOL.

COMING RETIREMENT OF HEAD MASTER.

The seven hundred odd scholars of the Ellis Kadoorie school found occasion for plentiful expressions of acclamation this morning when the annual report was presented and the prizes were given away by Mrs. H. E. O. Bird, the wife of the Headmaster.

THE REPORT.

The Headmaster (Mr. R. E. O. Bird) read his annual report as follows:—

The school year terminated at the end of last November when the whole school was examined in every subject. The results of the examination were satisfactory. All the "A" divisions did very well and 6D remarkably well. Class 4A was handicapped by the absence of Mr. Mycock who was in hospital for three months. I am glad to say he has now recovered from his three operations.

In March, Mr. Cheng Kai In resigned. He had been with us for many years, having served under Mr. Braidwood before the school was taken over by Government in 1915. His services were very great. He was librarian here for many years and took a great interest in making the library a success. He has very kindly donated to the school the two boards which we see at the back of the hall and which contain much good advice for the benefit of the scholars. His duties as Librarian have been taken over by Mr. Lo Ki-san.

We were pleased to have Mr. Mok Lu Nam, one of our old boys, appointed as a teacher in April. He has lately taken over the duties of Sportsmaster from Mr. Cheung Wai-lai.

In June, Mr. Yik Kai-cheong and Mr. Lo Wai-kwan came to us from the Hongkong University and are both doing good work here.

Mrs. Holland, Miss Kennedy and Miss Lewis have come and gone.

In September Miss Hall was transferred to Kowloon British School. She had been with us since October 1921 and has been in entire charge of the drawing. Her teaching was producing very good results. Her removal was a great loss to the Art side of the School as all drawing lessons have now ceased.

The Vernacular side has been under the supervision of Mr. Lau Tsai. Model lessons have been given in the Hall by vernacular teachers every Wednesday morning with satisfactory results. Out of 672 examined in Chinese 624 passed and 48 failed.

The maximum enrolment for the year was 747 and the total number on the registers during 1924 was 864.

In sports we have won the Junior Basketball League and the Small Boys Volley Ball League.

The Scouts, under Scoutmaster Lam Kwan-shan and Assistant Scoutmasters Lo Po-sham and Leung Kim-shu have been very energetic during the year. They now number 38 and are always to the fore at keeping order and helping in any ceremony. They went into camp twice during this year, gave life-saving demonstrations in July at Kennedy Town and North Point and helped in the Flood Relief processions and bazaar. Sir Henry Gollan has very kindly consented to become their President.

On the National holiday, October 10th., the school hired the World Theatre and gave a concert there before a packed audience which greatly appreciated every item. The arrangements were all made by the boys and everything was very smoothly and creditably carried out.

We had a number of swimming excursions, but we were unfortunately in the weather allotted to us. However, thanks to the three days' swimming campaign at the Y.M.C.A.—in which every non-swimmer took part, and to the other facilities given them the vast majority of the boys can swim and some of them very well.

Mrs. Howar has continued her singing lessons with the lower classes and I am of opinion the boys who learn singing get a better pronunciation than those who do not. Whenever we have any small function, singing is an appreciated item on the programme.

We concluded the school year with a walk from Kowloon City to Shatin which was successfully accomplished by 460 of us.

We beg to think Lady Severn and yourself for so kindly coming here to-day. You have been present at every prize-giving and your interest in the school has been a great compliment and stimulus to the boys. This year 46 boys competed for the prizes you have given and 295 drawings and paintings were handed in.

This is the first time that Mrs. Bird has appeared on this platform. If you are as pleased to see her here as I am, you will share my regret that this is the last prize-giving she will attend here. I am afraid I shall be to blame for that. However we shall both of us watch with interest the progress of the School and shall be delighted to hear of its continued prosperity which I hope and believe will be great.

I thank the staff for the way in which they have carried out their duties. I am pleased to say that during the many years I have been here, I have always had their ready and willing support.

I beg to thank the Committees of the Fo Leung Kuk, Sir Robert Ho Tung, Mr. Kwok Yu-ping, Mr. Cheng Kai-In, Messrs. Chung Sun and the Commercial Press for donations to the Prize Fund.

PRIZE WINNERS.

Amongst the winners of prizes were the following:—

Scholarships, 1923.
Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Tao Nai-shung.
Tai Yau Scholarship.—Wong Cheuk-hing.

Scholarships, 1924.
Lugard Scholar.—Lau Pui-ki.
Full Free Scholarships to Queen's College.—Pau Koon-tat, Wu Yum-yu, Lo Now-kwan, Ma Fook-yan and Fung Yu-shuen.
Half Free Scholarships to Queen's College.—Tsim Man-chun and Lau Koon-kau.
Tai Yau Scholarship.—Ip Shiu-san.

Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Cheung King-pak.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Lau Yu-chuen.

Chan Kai Ming Scholarship.—Pang Shiu-kwong.

Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Li Yu-wa.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Wong Yuk-shu.

Mrs. Lau Chu Pak Scholarship.—Lo Ching-tung.

Ho Kom Tong Scholarship.—Tsui Chiu.

Chan Kai Ming Scholarship.—Pang Oi-kun.

Art Prizes (Presented by Sir Claud Severn, C.M.G.).—1st, Fung Chun-wing; 2nd, Ng Tai-chuen; commended, Leung Fung-ming, Leung Kam-chuen and Tong Wing-po.

SIR CLAUD SEVERN'S SPEECH.

Sir Claud Severn said he was sure they were all pleased to have Mrs. Bird with them to present the prizes. Mr. Bird had said that it would be the first and last occasion that she would be seen on the school platform, but he could hardly believe that. It was true that Mr. Bird was retiring from the Government service, but he was sure that no old resident of the Colony who had watched its development, would be content to remain in England and not come back now and again to see how that progress was continuing, and he felt sure that they would see Mr. and Mrs. Bird once again on that platform, if not actively participating, then as interested visitors. (Applause).

It had been his pleasure, continued Sir Claud, to attend every prize-giving at the school since it was taken over by the Government, and he had always looked forward to the occasion. (Applause).

The gathering before him was larger than ever before and he was pleased to note that the report was generally satisfactory. Their activities seemed to be developing on the right lines and the work of the Scouts was a most satisfactory feature. He hoped that their successful efforts would be continued under their new president, Sir Henry Gollan. (Applause).

Referring to the mention of the singing classes in the report, Sir Claud expressed his agreement with Mr. Bird that it helped very considerably those pupils who wished to be thoroughly familiar with the English language. Their studies would become easier and for those who hoped to pass to the University, this would be very necessary.

In regard to the art prizes, which Sir Claud Severn once again presented, he said that there were two exceedingly good water colour drawings by one of the pupils. The composition was good and the colouring excellent. He had no hesitation in awarding the first prize.

DAY BY DAY.

THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS FINDING TRUE HAPPINESS BY SEARCHING FOR IT DIRECTLY. IT MUST COME, IF IT COME AT ALL, INDIRECTLY, OR BY THE SERVICE, THE LOVE, AND THE HAPPINESS WE GIVE TO OTHERS.
—R. W. Trine.

There was one British case of diphtheria notified yesterday.

A 10-year old Chinese girl, of 16, Fat King Street, was knocked down and injured by a taxi at Queen's Road Central yesterday. She was taken to hospital.

A collision occurred at Morrison Gap Road at 8.50 yesterday morning between motor lorry 530 and another lorry belonging to the Hongkong Electric Company. Both cars sustained slight damage.

The engagement is announced of Mr. D. D. Dryden, of Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, youngest son of Mr. J. Dryden, of Dundee, and Miss Ethel Mary Packham, oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Packham, of Kimberley Villas, Kowloon.

One master and three mistresses of cargo boats were summoned at the Marine Court this morning for mooring their boats in the Southern Fairway of the harbour and thus causing an obstruction. Fines of \$10, or ten days' imprisonment, were inflicted in each case.

A Chinese woman was yesterday removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a fractured arm. She was riding in a ricksha, when the vehicle suddenly overturned and she was thrown to the ground. The accident was due to the coolie losing control of the ricksha.

Our Picture Page to-morrow will include photographs taken at the weddings of Mr. W. Woodward and Miss Wyatt, of Mr. Ou-yung Kung-sui and Miss Daisy Ho Tung at Shanghai, of Mr. L. A. Gutierrez and Miss A. M. Lopes and of Mr. Leo Hon-wing and Miss Evangeline Yip. We also hope to publish a portrait of Mrs. Beale in the role of "Joan" at the Hongkong A. D. C.'s big success.

The two Chinese who are alleged to have abducted two girls from a brothel at Yau-mat on the 13th inst. and, taking them to an unoccupied house in Nam chong Street, Shamshuipo, dispossessed them of their valuables, were charged before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning with robbery, the second defendant being further charged with having received the stolen articles. Both defendants were formally remanded for one week.

Levis Stone and Alma Rubens make an ideal pair in "Cythorax," which was shown for the first time at the Coronet last night, when there was a splendid and most appreciative house. The story is based on the great American novel, "Cythorax," by Joseph Herger-shomer, which created a furore in literary circles in the great American continent, setting up almost a new record in book sales. The book has naturally passed through many editions, and ought to be easily procurable at any of the libraries or booksellers' shops in Hongkong.

Fung Cheung-wing, (Applause) The second prize presented greater difficulties and he had awarded it to Ng Tai-chung for a good Chinese landscape, and some flower studies. He had commended other boys.

Making reference to the impending retirement of the headmaster, Mr. R. E. O. Bird, Sir Claud said he could only congratulate him on the success of his work at the school during the past ten years. Mr. Bird could look back with pride on a period of successful endeavour. They had a fine building to work in, but were handicapped very considerably lack of a suitable place for recreation. He knew not whether that state of affairs could be altered, but he was not going to promise anything. "The Government never promises anything to anyone," he added.

Sir Claud concluded on a note of regret that Mr. Bird's time at the school had come to an end. (Applause). The prizes were distributed by Mrs. Bird, after which three lucky chaps were accorded.

ASSOCIATION OF HEADS
OF SCHOOLS.AN INTERESTING
SUGGESTION.

At the annual distribution of prizes of the Ying Wa Girls' School last evening Miss Hoglen (the Headmistress), in presenting her report, made the interesting suggestion that an association of heads of the different schools be formed. She said: "I should like to put in a plea for more co-operation between the different girls' schools in this Colony. It seems to many of us that the schools are suffering and the education of our pupils is suffering, from the want of an association of the heads of schools, in which matters which concern us all might be talked over; steps might be taken to prevent the continual change from one school to another which is such a serious hindrance not only to the progress of the individual girl, but of the class, and links might be formed between the schools which would be a source of strength to us all."

The presentation of prizes was performed by Mrs. J. R. Wood and took place in the auditorium of the Chinese Y.M.C.A. in the presence of a large gathering of parents and friends of the girls. The Rev. Cheung Chuk-ling presided, and among those supporting him were the Rev. Dr. T. W. Pearce and Mr. J. R. Wood. Several short speeches were made during the evening, exhorting the pupils to keep their ideals and do their best in their studies.

After the formal part of the programme had been carried out, the pupils entertained those present with selections of songs and musical items.

The Year's Work.

Reviewing the work of the past year, Miss Hoglen said: "The total number of pupils enrolled for the year 1924 was 336, the largest number in attendance at any one time being 308, the highest daily attendance 239, and the average attendance for the year 277. Attendances have on the whole kept up fairly well, owing partly to the fact that, except for a slight epidemic of mumps, we have had very little illness among the pupils. I would like, however, to urge upon parents the necessity of regular attendance if steady progress is to be made with the work. Many parents who would hesitate to keep a girl away from school for a week at a time, will make up two weeks in odd days, without realising that their daughter is missing valuable work, which it is difficult and sometimes impossible to make up."

Work in all departments of the school has gone steadily forward during the year. In the High School classes the experiment of taking all subjects in English, leaving only 6 or 7 hours a week for definite Chinese bookwork and composition, has proved very successful. The progress made in this one year in English has been great, and very valuable work along modern lines has been possible in all subjects. We hope that more and more parents will not be satisfied that their girls should simply obtain the Primary Certificate, but will allow them to go on to three years or more of High School work, and perhaps to preparation for the Hongkong University Local Examinations. We are glad to have this year two graduates from the High School who have finished the three years' course after which they obtain their School Certificate, although we are always glad when girls come back for a fourth year to go on to higher work.

A Pressing Need.

From the Primary we have 15 graduates, and we hope that the parents of these girls will realise that this is only a first step, and that they will allow their daughters to pass on into the High School. The Kindergarten has done good work throughout the year, and we have to-day 16 small graduates from this department. These little people have been during the year in a matched, which although commodious and airy, must necessarily be only a temporary structure. One of our pressing needs is a permanent Kindergarten building, separate from the main school.

After the summer holidays we were able to welcome Miss Hutchinson from Canton, and it has made a great difference to the school to have her with us for this half-year. I should like to tender hearty thanks to the members of the staff of the school, both Chinese and English, for their loyal co-operation in the work of

this year. We are also very grateful to those from outside who have helped—to Miss Watkin, who has been responsible for the Scripture teaching in the High School classes, to Mrs. Brown, who has come all the way from The Peak to help us every week, to Mrs. Marlow for her help in the teaching of needlework in the school, to Mrs. Mitchell for medical attendance, and to Miss Ward for her lectures to the High School girls on first aid and home nursing. During the first half year, Miss Ward prepared 23 candidates for the St. John's Ambulance examination in junior home nursing, of whom all passed, and will this evening receive their certificates. We are also grateful to the Rev. Cheung Chuk-ling for the time which he has given to a weekly Bible Class with the High School girls, and to the Rev. Wong Oi-long for constant help rendered in many different ways.

Athletic Activities.

At the beginning of the year the School playground was resurfaced at a fairly heavy cost, but we have found it well worth while, as it has made possible much more physical work than we have had before. In a crowded curriculum it is difficult to find the time one would like to give the drilling and games, but even so we have noted with satisfaction the growing keenness of the girls on this side of their school work. Our annual sports day was held on December 13, when, in addition to individual competitions such as jumping and skipping, great interest was shown in the form races, and rounders and captain Ball matches. The usual swimming parties were arranged once a week during the summer months, and were a source of great pleasure and benefit to the girls who were allowed to join them. We hope that next summer many more of the parents will encourage their girls to take part in this healthful recreation.

The School branch of the Y. W. C. A. has done good work during the year, and has made a distinct step forward, in that the organisation has this year been entirely in the hands of the girls. The Sunday School hour every Sunday morning has been a happy time both for the older ones in the big school, and for the little ones who meet with Miss Fung in the kindergarten. Many of the girls took part in the Sunday School work for poor children in the holiday months, and one is very glad to see this willingness on their part to give up their own pleasure to do this often monotonous and tiring work in the hottest months of the year.

New School Building.

The plans for our new school are in the hands of a committee of gentlemen who, with the Rev. Cheung Chuk-ling as President, Mr. Chan Lai-chen as Treasurer, and Mr. Tsing as Secretary, have generously promised to undertake the raising of funds for this much needed new building. Our friends at Union Church have been thinking of us, and after many months of work held a sale shortly before Christmas, and sent us \$1,000 as the result, thus making possible one class-room in our new building. Mr. R. E. Pearce has also very generously sent us a similar gift. Are there no friends in this room to-night, or into whose hands this report may come who would do likewise? On all sides our work is cramped and hindered for want of space, and it is with great regret that we have to say to the majority of the new girls who wish to enter school at the beginning of term, "There is no room for you." With the growing population of Hongkong, and the increasing popularity of girls' education, the need of more accommodation for girl scholars grows more urgent every year, and any gift towards the new Ying Wa Girls' School will be a real contribution towards the general educational work of Hongkong.

May I, too, add one word about the co-operation of parents with the school. We often feel that the connection between home and school is very slight, that the girls are almost, as it were, living two separate lives, and we feel that these should be blended into one. May I say how glad we always are to have visits from the parents, we like you to see the school in which your daughters are being educated, we like to talk over with you our aims and ideals, we want you to feel that these two most important factors in a girl's life, her home and her school, and working hand in hand for her growth and development along the best and soundest lines. Your

SPORTS GOSSIP.

INTERPORTERS IN
TRAINING.

[BY "WANDERER"]

With the Interport so close at hand it was hardly surprising to see a large contingent of enthusiasts witnessing the Interport team at training on Wednesday, and the consensus of opinion was that, if effort means anything, every man will be perfectly fit when he steps on the field on January 24th. To-morrow's game with the Rest should prove an extremely interesting one, and the rain today will make it more so. The Rest eleven are strong enough to give the Interport a thorough test, though one would hardly give much for the latter's prospects if they don't win convincingly.

Rain will have a big influence on the Interport game, an old-timer informs me, and he thinks Hongkong's chances will be exceedingly rosy if it rains on the day previous to the match. Unfortunately he doesn't say what will happen in the event of Jupiter P. declining his favour.

Sunday next will see the official opening of the new Kowloon City golf course, when the Governor will break the club flag on the flagstaff near the clubhouse. Immediately afterwards His Excellency and the General Officer Commanding are to drive off from the first tee, and will play a round. No doubt Mr. V. C. Labrum and Mr. H. Overy will make excellent caddies.

The glamour of the cup has already lost its appeal to all, but thirty-four of the English League clubs and in this connection it is interesting to note that 17 of these hail from Division I. It is only natural this preponderance but at the same time it is rather surprising to note that so few were the First Round surprises that in every case in which a First Division club was forced to retire from the competition, the victorious side was also of the same division. One rather regrets to see Huddersfield beaten at the first time of asking but their opponents too are potential cup-winners, and as Bolton had choice of ground there was little surprise about it.

The second round draw discloses that of the sixteen matches, nine of the clubs are drawn at home for the second time, and that four clubs for the second time are drawn to play on foreign soil. The six third division clubs left in, have all to play teams in higher divisions.

"Enquirer" enquires who of Eaton and Humberstone has scored the most goals this season. Except for the fact that Humberstone has scored ten goals in league matches and Eaton nine, I am unable to say definitely, though I can trace Humberstone as having netted on eight further occasions while Eaton has added seven in other games.

"ROSITA."

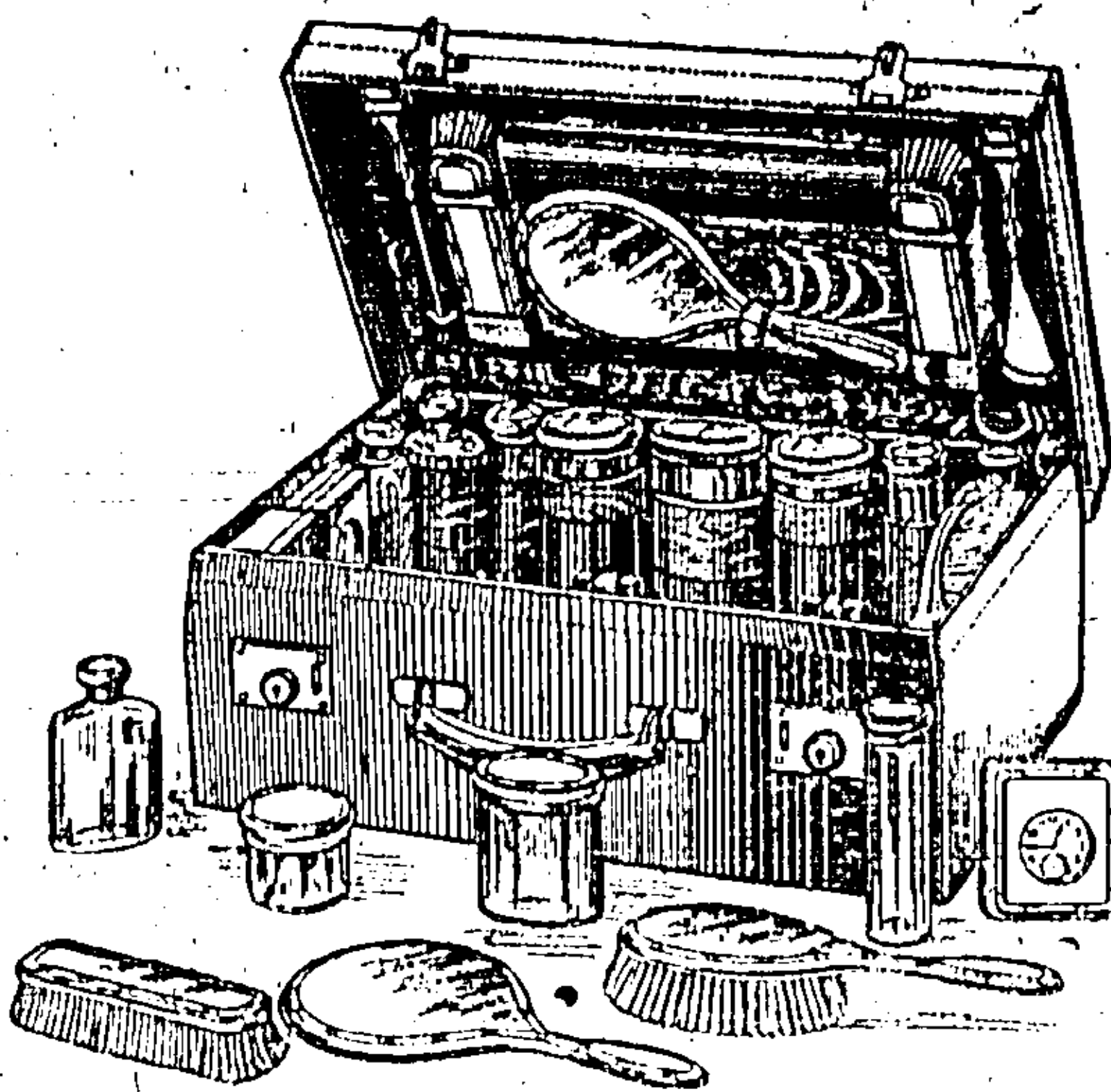
GOOD HOUSES AT
THE STAR.

"Rosita" is a picture that never tires in the telling—and it never tires in the screening, judging from its reception session after session at the Star Theatre after being shown at the Coronet. "Rosita" may well be described as one of the most artistically beautiful photo-plays produced by United Artists Corporation. The theme was not hit upon by Mary Pickford by accident or chance: it took weeks and months of solid labour, with a world of research work to make the proper scenes and settings suitable for Old Spain. The result speaks for itself in the most admirable picture with Mary Pickford in the chief role.

Moreover, in re-creating the scenes in the little Spanish city of Toledo, Mary had the advice of Snitz Edwards, who took a theatrical company to Spain and thus gained most valuable first-hand information that ensured absolute accuracy in the picture. To-day and to-morrow will see the close of the "Rosita" season at the Star—at the usual prices.

hope for your daughters, our ideal for our scholars, surely is that they may grow up to be good, useful, God-fearing women, taking their place in the work of the world. Let us co-operate in the attainment of this ideal."

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HOBBS COMMITTED.

ALLEGED FRAUD ON
"MR. A."

London, Jan. 15.
On the closing of the case at Bow Street the prosecution submitted three charges against Hobbs, who was arrested in connection with the Midland Bank case, namely, conspiracy to cheat and defraud Sir Hari Singh, stealing by means of menaces, and receiving two bank's cheques for £150,000, knowing them to have been stolen abroad.

Hobbs was committed to trial, bail being refused. He made a statement describing Newton's evidence as a tissue of lies, asserting his innocence and reserving his defence. He declared that he had not had an opportunity of conducting his defence, as he had been unwell. "I am under a terrible disadvantage. I would not send a dog to prison on demand."—*Reuter*.

SOUTH AFRICAN
"TEST".

Capetown, Jan. 15.
The third unofficial Test opened in close weather. South Africa compiled 113, Geary taking 6 for 37. Mr. Joel's eleven knocked up 164 for 4 Tyldesley contributing 50.—*Reuter*.

BELGIUM QUITE
SATISFIED.

Brussels, Jan. 15.
Any doubts as to Belgium's feelings about Paris agreement have been set at rest by Premier's statement in the Chamber to-day, that from the Belgian standpoint the negotiations were successful beyond dispute.—*Reuter*.

BACK TO THE LAW.

Washington, Jan. 15.
The President's secretary, Mr. Slomp, announces his early retirement and return to law practice.—*Reuter's American Service*.

TO KEEP ORDERS IN ENGLAND.

In order to prevent the orders from going abroad the Pure Cane Molasses Company Glasgow, has accepted a price considerably in excess of tenders received from the Continent for two Diesel tank steamers of 12,500 tons each. The vessels, which are to be built by the Furness Shipbuilding Company, Haverton Hill, will be the largest molasses tankers afloat. The machinery is to be supplied by Messrs. John D. Kincaid, of Greenock.

FOUND IN SAMPAN.

AMMUNITION
CONFISCATED.

An order for the confiscation of 4,300 rounds of ammunition, discovered on board sampan No. B 3640V by Revenue Officer Lannigan on the 8th inst., was made by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Asked why the owner of the sampan was not arrested, E. O. Lannigan, who made the application, said that it was the owner who gave the police the information.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

PICTURES AND
VAUDEVILLE.

There was a very large attendance at the Queen's Theatre last night, when "Beyond the Rocks" was filmed. Gloria Swanson and Rodolph Valentino take the chief roles in this picture, which is noteworthy for love interest and also for some fine views of Switzerland, France and England.

The Manila Vaudeville Company opened their season with a bright show, which included songs, dancing and amusing patter. The members of this party are typical artists of the picture-house, and they certainly do not lack anything in the way of "pop." A word must be said of the excellence of the music rendered by the talented Queen's Theatre orchestra.

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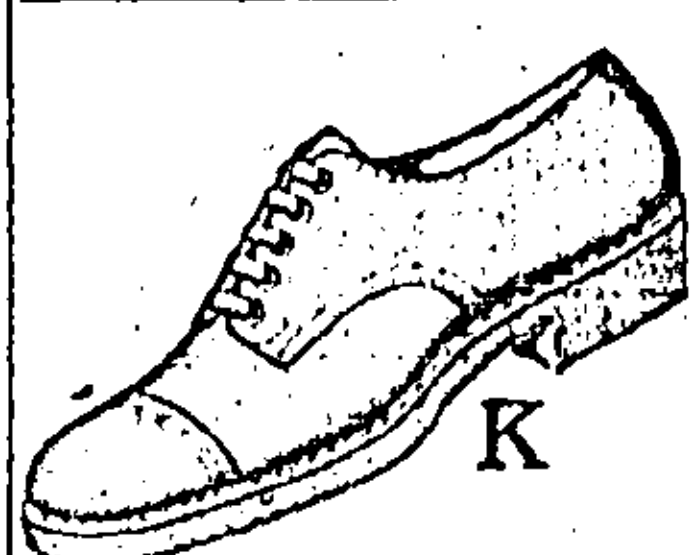
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CAMERA NEWS



SHANGHAI GAIETY.—New Year's Eve saw the Carlton Cafe at Shanghai absolutely packed with hundreds of merry-makers. Every available table was taken and the balcony as crowded as downstairs. The decorations were most effective, and coloured paper streamers, confetti, and whistles, added to the general enjoyment.



RADIO PICTURE.—This is none other than Mr. Stanley Baldwin. The picture came all the way from London to New York in just 20 minutes. It is one of the first batch ever sent from Europe to America by radio.



GOOD-BYE TO THE OLD YEAR.—This excellent picture was taken on New Year's Eve at the Carlton Cafe where hundreds of Shanghaianders sped the Old Year away and welcomed the New Year with a burst of gaiety. There was not a dull moment throughout the entire night, the fun continuing till well into the morning.

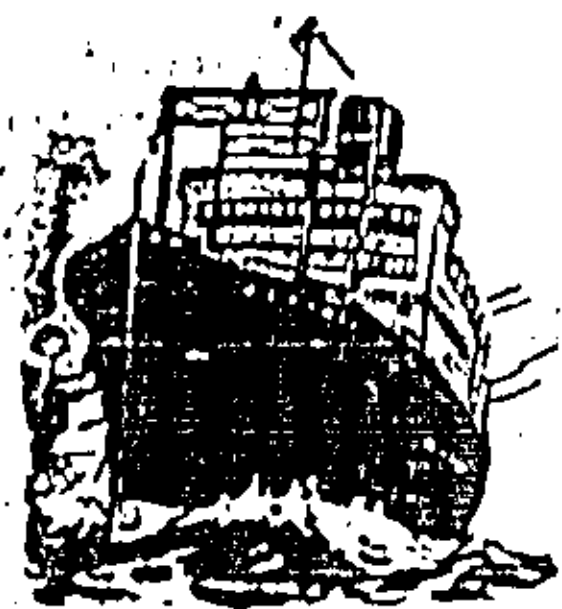


SPEED SKATER.—Krechow, fancy speed skater, was a feature of the opening of winter sports at St. Moritz, Switzerland. His costume was described as that of an American cowboy.



CHILDREN'S PARTY.—The Christmas Party at the Astor House Hotel on Boxing Day, given for the children guests at the Astor, Palace, Majestic and Kalso Hotels, Shanghai, was a great success. Santa Claus made a welcome appearance and was greeted with shrieks of delight. Each little guest received a toy and, needless to say, there was general and enthusiastic rejoicing.

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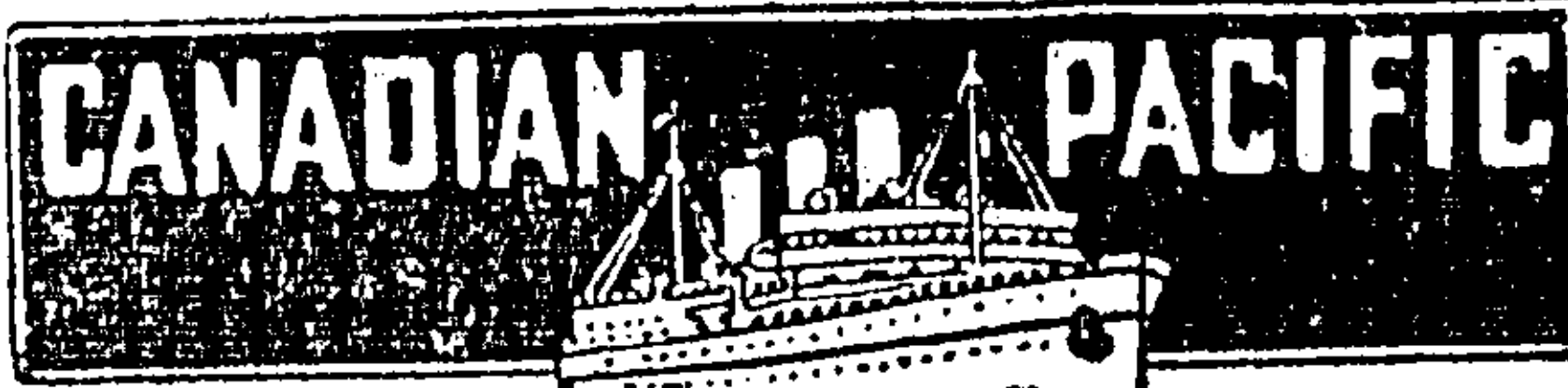
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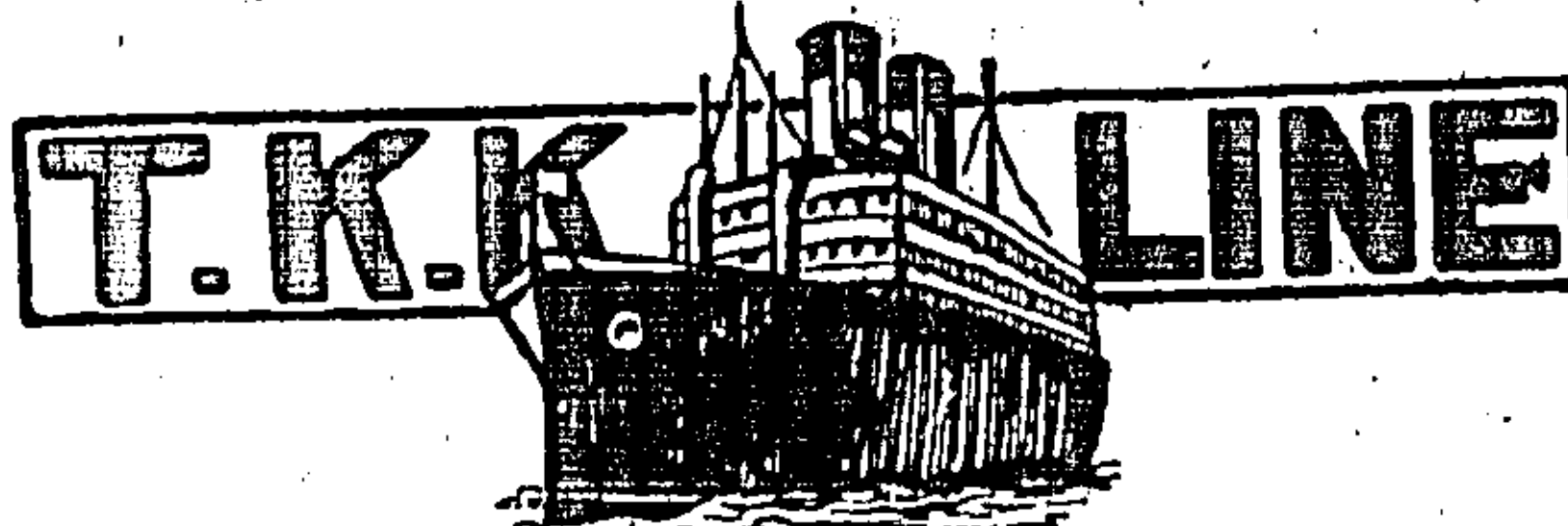
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D. B. S.

S. V. Gittins, b Sudan	7
W. Hunt, b Sudan	11
J. L. Youngsye, c Ng, b Sling	24
F. Zimmern, c Barnes, b Ponsonby-Fane	3
L. Gutierrez, b Sling	0
A. Nomanbhoy, b Sling	0
D. Anderson, b Ponsonby-Fane	12
E. S. Cunningham, c Zimmern, b Sling	4
R. Gerrard, b.w. Ponsonby-Fane	5
J. Fox, b Ponsonby-Fane	0

E. Goddard, c E. Zimmern, b Ponsonby-Fane	1
E. Lee, not out	1
Extras	7

Total 87

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Sudan	10	3	17	2
B. P. Ng	70	1	19	7
Sling	8	1	25	4
Ponsonby-Fane	5.3	19	5	5
Ponsonby-Fane's Team.				
E. Zimmern, b.w. Nomanbhoy	0			
J. W. Barnes, b Nomanbhoy	11			
W. H. Sling, b Nomanbhoy	16			
G. Keeton, b Goddard	3			
V. F. Viccajee, st. Gutierrez, b Lee	19			
B. N. Sudan, b Nomanbhoy	4			
B. P. Ng, b Youngsye	53			
D. E. Commisate, c Youngsye, b Lee	4			
H. T. Barnum, b Gittins	11			
N. Karanjien, c Youngsye, b Lee	22			
C. K. Ong, not out	18			
Extras	13			

Total (for 10 wks.) 174

Ponsonby-Fane did not bat.

Bowling Analysis.

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Nomanbhoy	15	3	44	4
Zimmern	6	1	14	1
Goddard	7	1	30	1
Gittins	6	1	37	1
Youngsye	5	1	21	1
Lee	4.1	15	3	3

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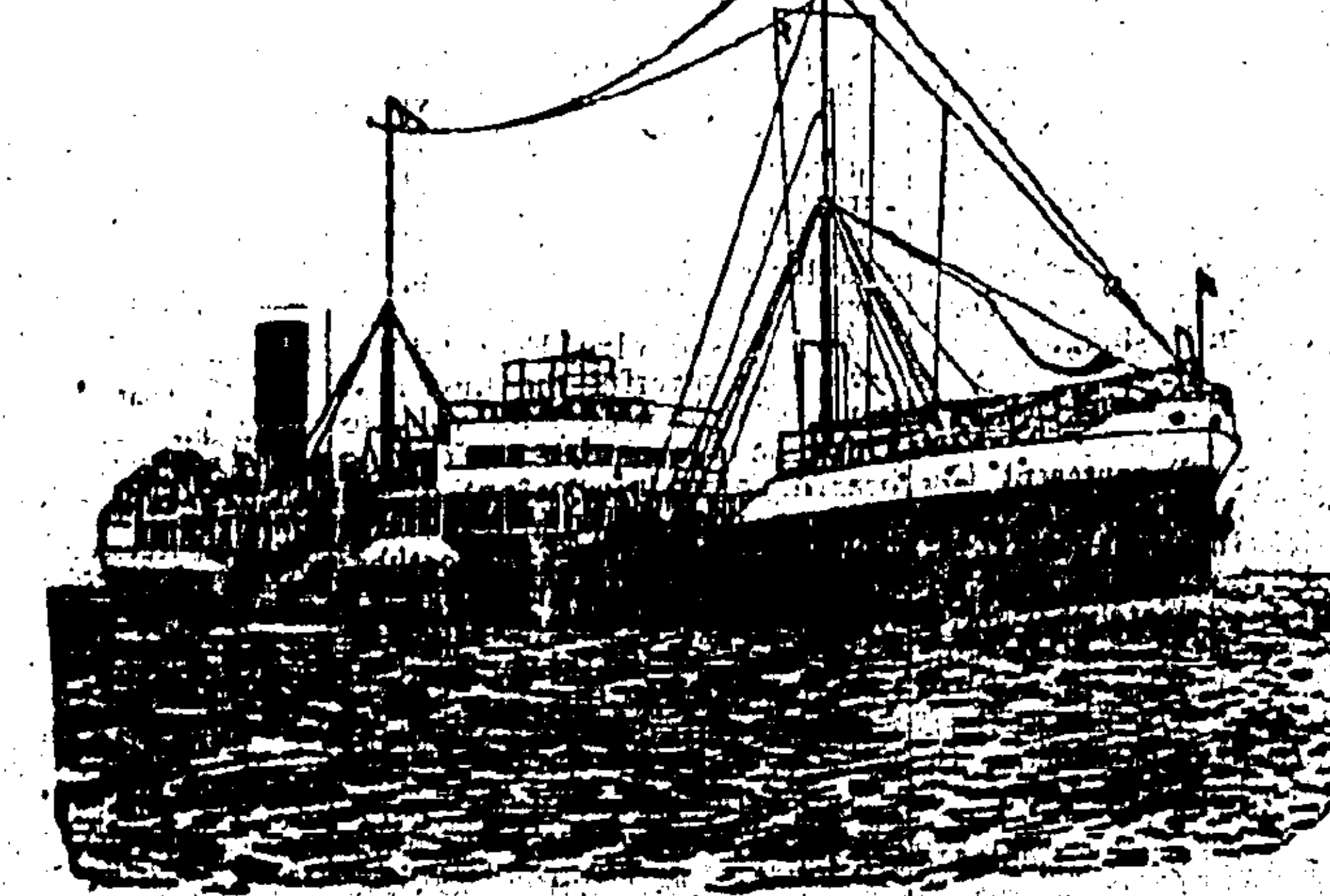
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DO GILA	8,083	8th Feb.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
GARDINIA	6,684	18th Feb.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
KASHMIR	8,963	21st Feb.	M'les, London & Antwerp
WALWA	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles & London
SUDAN	6,696	18th Mar.	S'pore, Pang, C'bo & B'bay
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WEATHER REPORT.

Jan. 16d. 21h. 04m.—Pressure has increased moderately over Tongking, and slightly from Shanghai to N. Formosa. It has decreased considerably over the Bonins and moderately over central Japan. It is nearly stationary over the Philippines and Kwangtung.

The Loochoos depression has moved to the north of the Bonins. A depression is still shown to the S.W. of Yap.

A strong anticyclone is central over Manchuria.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24

hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.41 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.83 inches, against an average of 0.45 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, fresh;
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamook	overcast, rain, cold.
3 H'kong to Gap Rook	
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong, January 16.

THE HOLY TREE.

Protest Against Desecration.

The local authorities, even including the gendarmes, have risen in Oohrid to join forces with all religious denominations, Christian and Mohammedan, in preserving a holy tree from desecration and destruction by unfortunate employees of the Yugo-Slav Posts and Telegraphs Ministry, says a recent Belgrade message. The tree is stated to be a plane tree of great age, with a trunk "18.5 metres thick," which contained, not a mere archway for the passage of horse vehicles, as is the custom with big trees in America, but six different shops. The quarrel started when the telegraph men began to set up a new overhead cable when it was found that the route traced on the map went through the holy tree. The workmen promptly cut off an obstructing branch five feet in diameter, and the particular Albanian tribe that is most earnest in the worship promptly showed its teeth. When the men turned to a second, slightly smaller branch, the local municipal authorities also rose, and protested against the destruction of an antiquity which the population guarded successfully even during the Bulgarian occupation. There are traditions of the worship of this tree in the Middle Ages during the reign of the Serbian Nomanja dynasty.

GERMANS IN BRITISH SHIPS.

Protest by Marine Workers' Union.

The General Executive Council of the Amalgamated Marine Workers' Union, at a meeting at their offices in Gower-street, W.C., last month, adopted a resolution disapproving of the proposal to permit German seamen the right of employment on British ships. It was stated subsequently by Mr. E. Shinwell, who is an official of the Union, that there is consternation in seafaring circles over the report that German seamen may be permitted to re-enter British vessels. "In normal circumstances," said Mr. Shinwell, "no hostility would be raised, but in the present grave state of unemployment the fears of British seamen unemployed on October 27 was 24,236, being 20.3 per cent. of the total number of insured persons in the industry. This represents an increase of 1.7 per cent. over the figures of September 27.

"The removal of the embargo would, our Executive Council believe, lead to a large influx of German seamen attracted by the higher wages prevailing in British-owned vessels."

SHARE MARKET.

SHANGHAI QUOTATIONS. Messrs. Ellis and Co. have kindly supplied us with the following cable quotations of Shanghai stocks from their Shanghai office:—

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SHIPPING NEWS

The following local shipping and mail intelligence has been corrected to noon to-day:

Vessel	Agents	From	Moorings
Hsin, an	B & S	Shanghai via Swatow	16th Jan
Wei Shing	J. M. & Co.	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Fieldstrad	K. Hansen & Co	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Harvey	A. O. L.	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Olderick	J. O. J. L.	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Tjibodas	Yamashita	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Rejani M.	N. Y. K.	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Lushan M.	M. S. E.	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Telise M.	Shanai	Shanghai via Swatow	"
Wa Sun	Shanai	Shanghai via Swatow	"

Vessel	Agents	Where Bound	Departure
Halchong	Yan Pak	Halchong via Hailow	16th Jan
Teikwan	J. M. & Co.	Halchong via Hailow	"
Lochong	G. & S.	Halchong via Hailow	"
Chungaha	Yook Hoi	Halchong via Hailow	"
Sai Yik	Pak Hong	Halchong via Hailow	"
Wa Sun	Tuan Kee	Halchong via Hailow	"
Seng Hae	Douglas	Halchong via Hailow	"
Hai Ming	Yook Seng Fat	Halchong via Hailow	"
Lok Sun	B. & S.	Halchong via Hailow	"
Synderas	J. M. & Co.	Halchong via Hailow	"
Philottilla	P. & O.	Halchong via Hailow	"

Vessel	Agents	Destination	Sailing
Yoon-sang	J. M. & Co.	Manila	17th Jan.
Lochong	J. M. & Co.	Hailow	18th
Waishong	M. C. O.	Swatow	18th
Sam-kun M.	N. Y. K.	Yokohama	18th
Araka M.	N. Y. K.	Yokohama	18th
Kwai-sang	J. M. & Co.	Swatow	18th
Hailong	D. L. & Co.	Swatow	18th
Nam-sang	J. M. & Co.	Swatow	18th
Lau-sang	J. M. & Co.	Swatow	18th
Takada	P. & O.	Canton	18th

Vessel	Agents	From	One Hongkong
Takada	P. & O.	Shanghai	17th Jan.
Pat clus	B. & S.	Shanghai	2nd Feb.

Consignees Diary.					
(Compiled from our Advertisements.)					
Vessel	Agents	Goods Stored	Free Storage Expires	Claims to be in by	Examina- tion Date
Pres. Madison	A O L	Kowloon	Jan. 16		Jan. 14
Voon-sang	D & Co.	Kowloon	Jan. 16	Jan. 26	Jan. 26
Yuan Ta	N Y C B	Kowloon	Jan. 19		Jan. 17
Yong-sung	B & S	Holt's	Jan. 20	Feb. 3	Tues. & Fri.
Yong-sung	A O L	Kowloon	Jan. 24		Jan. 24
Yong-sung	B & S	Holt's	Jan. 22	Feb. 6	Tues. & Fri.
Yong-sung	J O J L	Kowloon	Feb. 3		Jan. 22

Steamers' Movements.
Orontes arrived at London on 13th inst.
Telemachos arrived at London on 14th inst.
Hector arrived at Marseilles on 12th inst.

EXCHANGE.

SELLING.	BUYING.
20 1/2 s. San Francisco and Pan	20 1/2 s. San Francisco and Pan
4 m/s. Hong Kong	4 m/s. Hong Kong
6 m/s. Hong Kong	6 m/s. Hong Kong
8 m/s. Hong Kong	8 m/s. Hong Kong
10 m/s. Hong Kong	10 m/s. Hong Kong
12 m/s. Hong Kong	12 m/s. Hong Kong
14 m/s. Hong Kong	14 m/s. Hong Kong
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POST OFFICE NOTICES.

From	Per	Date
Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Tjibodas	16th Jan.
Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Merlonas	16th
Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Ludwigshafen	16th
Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Shanghai	16th
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Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Shanghai	16th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Andre Labon	17th Jan.
Europe via Singapore (Letters only)	Andre Labon	17th Jan.
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